

## LIVERPOOL POUNDED IN AIR RAIDS; NAVAL BATTLE IN CHANNEL

British and Germans Both Claim Advantage in Sea Warfare; London Hit As Bombers Resume Raids; RAF Downs 5 Planes

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 29 (UP).—Emergency squads pried into heaps of wreckage dotting Liverpool, the Mersey valley and other northwest England communities today in search of victims trapped by an intense German air bombardment during the night.

### Iron Guardists Slay 2,000 In Pogroms

Clashes With Army Seen As Verging On Civil War; Deny 'Crisis'

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Nov. 29 (UP).—Fighting between the Rumanian army and Iron Guardists in several cities is verging on civil war, according to diplomatic advice received here tonight.

In addition to clashes with the army, the Iron Guardists, in raids in many Rumanian cities, were said to have murdered 2,000 persons—mostly Jews—during the past three days.

Detachments of the pro-Nazi Iron Guard clashed with the Rumanian army at Brasov, Craiova and Turnu-Severin and occupied public buildings after sharp fighting, diplomatic advice said. Counter-attacks by the army succeeded in dislodging the Iron Guardists from the telephone exchange and the postoffice at Brasov, the reports said, but whether the army had regained control at Craiova and Turnu-Severin was not disclosed.

**TROOPS TO BUCHAREST**  
Bucharest dispatches to the newspaper Magyar Crain said several Rumanian army divisions ordered to the capital from the provinces were converging on Bucharest.

One of the chief centers of the Iron Guard disturbances was said to be Ploesti, in the Rumanian oil country, where an estimated 2,000 Jews and "Leftists" were said to have been murdered. It was reported that so grave were the disorders at Ploesti that Horia Sima, head of the Iron Guards and Vice-Premier under Gen. Ion Antonescu, head of the Rumanian state, rushed there personally to restore order.

A German delegation, ostensibly to represent Adolf Hitler at the funeral Sunday of Corneliu Zelea Codreanu, "martyred" Iron Guardist leader, arrived in Bucharest last night. It is headed by Balduv von Schirach, head of the Nazi youth movement, and Ernst Bohle, head of the Nazi party's foreign organization.

### IRON GUARDISTS SAY 'NO CRISIS'

BUCHAREST, Nov. 29 (UP).—King Michael of Rumania conferred at his heavily guarded palace tonight with German generals stationed here while Gen. Ion Antonescu, head of the government, struggled to suppress disorders.

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### Nazi-Bulgarian Treaty

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Nov. 29 (UP).—A German-Bulgarian trade treaty eliminating double taxation of German firms operating in Bulgaria and providing them with increased legal protection was signed today.

## The CIO Convention

The Daily Worker publishes today an editorial summarizing the results of and drawing the lessons from the recent fifth annual convention of the CIO. Turn to page 6 for this important editorial.

## 'Front' Leader Tells of Link With Army

Cassidy Testifies at Front Court-Martial—Prout Denies Confession

By John Meldon

John F. Cassidy, recognized leader of the Christian Front, appearing in the court-martial of Capt. John T. Prout Jr., who is accused of giving 1,800 rounds of ammunition to Christian Front terrorist William Gerald Bishop, testified Thursday night that Bishop had told him he "was working through the Army, organizing civilians to fight Communism."

The witness, who seemed to be perfectly at ease in the military-court atmosphere, last June stood trial under federal prosecution along with Capt. Prout and Bishop.

Cassidy, a smooth talking individual and an avowed follower of anti-Semitic Father Coughlin, was acquitted on charges of conspiracy to overthrow the government and to steal government ammunition. Prout faces possible retrial in federal court on his admission of giving ammunition to Bishop.

### POSED AS ARMY AGENT

Capt. Prout's defense counsel, Parnell J. T. Callaghan, called Cassidy as a defense witness at the Squadron A Armory, 94th St. and Madison Ave., where the nine-man military court is sitting in the case. Cassidy identified himself as the Brooklyn head of the fascist organization, and at "present unemployed and awaiting admission to the bar."

The fascist witness made the statement, while under cross-examination by Lieut. Alfred J. Mungo, trial judge advocate (the prosecution) that he had gone to the 18th Regiment Armory last October with Bishop where the latter said he would identify himself to Cassidy as an army agent, through one "Colonel Anderson." When they arrived, Cassidy said, "Colonel Anderson" was not present. Whether or not the identification was made at any later date was not brought out by either the defense or prosecution while Cassidy was on the stand. The defendant Capt. Prout took

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## Leaders Veto Strike of British Engineers Union

SOUTHPORT, England, Nov. 29 (UP).—Threat of a national strike by the powerful Amalgamated Engineers Union was ended today after a motion for a work stoppage in December was voted down 24 to 11 by the National Committee of the union.

The strike had been proposed in support of demands for a 6-cent an hour pay increase.

The dispute will be taken to the National Arbitration Tribunal.

## House Told Problem of Migratory Labor Acute

Arms Program Brings Millions on Road Seeking Jobs

By Adam Lapin

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 29.—The Tolan Committee investigating interstate migration of destitute citizens was told today that the administration's arms program has "aggravated" the problem of migratory and transient workers.

Philip E. Ryan, chairman of the committee on Interstate Migration of the National Conference of Social Work, presented evidence to show that the arms boom has sharply boosted the size of the great army of 4,000,000 homeless workers wandering from state to state in search of jobs.

"People used to say, 'As soon as the factory whistles blow, the transient problem will be solved,'" Ryan told the House Committee.

### PARADOX OF REVIVAL

"With the impetus of the National Defense program, the factory whistles are blowing, but the transient problem is not solved; it has been aggravated."

"This is the paradox of the revival of industry. More people are working, but many more are 'on the move' because of the attraction of probable jobs. We cannot now talk about 4,000,000 migrants. We must think of the uncounted potential migrants whom the defense program will set in motion."

Chief problems in this increase of migratory workers, Ryan said, are that frequently the promised arms jobs do not materialize and that there are no housing and living facilities for the workers when they reach a new town.

Ryan's testimony served again to focus attention on the fact that the arms problem is by no means solving the social and unemployment problems of the people despite all the propaganda to this effect by many administration spokesmen.

### DESCRIBES CHAOS

One example of intolerable conditions resulting from the rapid expansion of military facilities cited by Ryan was at Camp Blanding near Jacksonville, Florida.

"The attraction of possible jobs has brought thousands of workers, skilled and unskilled, to that region," Ryan said in describing conditions at Camp Blanding.

"They camp in the fields and in the woods; they stand in line for days and nights, hoping to get a job. There is no shelter; there are no sanitary facilities; and it is re-

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## DeGaulle Threatens Force in Broadcast

LONDON, Nov. 29 (UP).—Gen. Charles DeGaulle, leader of Free Frenchmen, in a broadcast to France tonight said his forces now number 35,000 trained troops, 20 warships, 1,000 airmen and 60 merchant ships.

He said "Free France" had swayed over various French territories in Africa, French India and the Pacific as well as increasing financial, newspaper and radio resources.

He said that his forces, if necessary, would employ force to free "French people who are prevented from doing their duty by the ghostly ambiguity of subservience to the rulers of betrayal."

"It is my hope that you and other representatives from Michigan will do everything in your power that England and the British Commonwealth receive all materials, planes and battleships that are needed to the end that this way may be kept going by England until we are ready to step in there and finish off the Axis Powers."

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# UNIONS AROUSED AGAINST SMITH ANTI-STRIKE BILL

Concentration Camp, Wall St. Style by Gropper



AFL, CIO Leaders See Threat to Labor Gains

BILL AIMS TO HALT ORGANIZING DRIVES

Places Organization Work in Category of 'Sabotage'

Organized labor in New York City, both CIO and AFL unions, took quick notice of the latest attempt of the Congress and the Administration to hamstring labor through the pro-fascist Smith Bill, introduced into the House Thursday.

The Smith measure, if passed, would "outlaw" strikes in defense industries, hand out court terms up to life for alleged acts of "sabotage," and impose the open shop in industry by making it illegal to require workers to join a union.

The bill would also force labor to accept compulsory mediation. Statements issued by CIO and AFL unions here characterized the proposed Smith bill and "lynch-law" and a "straight-jacket," and called for a showdown fight to defeat the measure.

### ELECTRICAL UNION LOCAL 3 AFL

A statement issued by Local 3, of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers read:

"In the absence of Harry Van Arsdale, business manager of Local 3, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, who is attending the American Federation of Labor convention in New Orleans, a union spokesman made the following statement:

"Any labor legislation designed to place organized labor in the straight-jacket of compulsory mediation, must of necessity, operate to the disadvantage of the workers."

"Rep. Smith proposes that life imprisonment be the penalty for sabotaging the government defense program. Presumably, demands for a decent wage and working conditions will be construed as sabotage."

"So far, all the sabotage seems to be coming from certain industrialists who refuse to function unless they are assured a handsome profit. Needless to say, Mr. Smith's proposed bill is not aimed at these profiteering gentlemen. The measure should be bitterly fought by all sections of the American labor movement."

### CIO TELEGRAPHERS' LEADER

Joseph P. Selly, acting president of the CIO American Communications Association, in a statement called the proposed Smith bill "lynch-law legislation."

His statement follows: "A new high in un-American legislative repression was attempted Thursday when Rep. Smith introduced into the House lynch-law legislation which would take away from the people their inalienable right to organize and withhold their labor from unfair employers."

"The arrogance of this proposal, in the face of the unfair labor practices and the mounting profits of many of the defense industries must shock the American people into an organized resistance to the Smith bill and an intensified drive to organize the unorganized."

"The American Communications Association, in conformance with the policies set by the recent CIO convention, intends to do its share to defeat this legislation and organize the unorganized workers in the communications industry."

### TEXTILE WORKERS UNION

Meanwhile, in the absence of Emilie Rieve, general president of the Textile Workers Union, who is at present in Kentucky, a spokesman for the union issued the brief statement:

"The Textile Union is fully opposed to the passage of this anti-labor measure."

### UNITED AUTO WORKERS

Louis S. James, president of Local 259 United Automobile Workers, CIO, New York City, minced no words in declaring that the bill

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## Charge FDR Uses White Committee

APM Sees Pro-War Outfit As 'Semi-Official' Arm

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 29.—The American Peace Mobilization today charged the Roosevelt Administration with openly and secretly cooperating with "propaganda agencies dedicated to getting this country into war," and with concealing from the American people "the full extent of its international intrigue."

The Peace Mobilization, through its executive secretary Frederick V. Field, asserted that the administration, by means of both open and secret conferences and consultations with the William Allen White Committee to defend America by aiding the Allies, had established that organization as "the semi-official propaganda arm of the Government."

"The true aims and objectives of this organization, and hence, directly, of this administration," he said, "have never been more glaringly revealed than in the recent letter to Michigan Congressmen, in which members of the White Committee wrote:

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## Fear 28 Dead In Ohio Mine Explosion

CADIZ, O., Nov. 29 (UP).—Rescue crews cutting through tons of debris to reach at least 27 to 28 men trapped by an explosion in the Nelms mine of the Ohio-Pennsylvania Coal Co., near here feared tonight that the men died of suffocation if they had not been killed by the blast.

State and Federal mine inspection officials as well as officers of the company declined to comment on the prospect of finding the miners alive, but fellow workmen said they felt there was "little chance."

Rescue workers said they hoped to reach the group of entombed men tomorrow, but they did not know how far slate and rock falls extended back into the passageway. They reported they were about 1,500 feet from the place where the men were believed to be caught.

There had been no sounds in in-

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## Two Nazi Ships Run Blockade Off Mexico

TAMPICO, Mexico, Nov. 29 (UP).—Two German freighters, the Idarwald and Rhein, frustrated in efforts to leave here two weeks ago left this port for the open sea today in a new attempt to pass the British blockade.

## There Is An Enemy Within the Gates

THE American people are permitted to know only half the story about the food rationing now going on in Great Britain.

The United Press yesterday carried a dispatch telling that fruits and meats were the latest foods to be rationed as a result of Nazi submarine activity.

Undoubtedly the U-boats are causing great suffering to the poor people of England.

But that is only part of the tragic story.

In its issue of November 15, The New York Times carried another dispatch on fruit and meat in England. It carried this story only in its midnight edition and then replaced it with an insignificant dispatch about elections in some local organization here.

That food dispatch apparently was not to the liking of the Times. It revealed that the British Minister of Agriculture is planning to destroy fruits and pigs IN

### ORDER TO KEEP THE PRICE UP!

While the Nazis are attacking the people's food-baskets from the sea and the air, the British capitalists apparently are attacking them right at home for the greater glory of private profits.

What a commentary on capitalism! In a country where millions are going hungry because of inhuman bombings and sea warfare, the rulers deliberately plow under food in order to satisfy their own greed!

In the face of such news, what a mockery it is to hear people like Harold Laski boasting about a "partnership between labor and capital" out of which is supposed to come "socialism" after the war!

The Laskis, Bevins, Citrines and Morrisons may be in partnership with British capital. But the British people are not. They are being attacked by the money-lords of the Empire—the enemy within the gates—even more fiercely than in peacetime.

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## Greek Advance Halted, Rome Report Claims

**Reinforcements Landed At Durazzo From 11 Transports—Frontier Reports Say Italians Threatened by Trap**

ROME, Nov. 29 (UP).—The Italian Army has halted the Greek advance along the entire front, it was claimed tonight.

Dispatches from Tirana said the Italians, after bloody hand-to-hand fighting in front of Argyrocastron, had succeeded in digging in behind barbed wire entanglements and that they had been reinforced by heavy artillery.

## Siam Brings Down 3 French Planes

**Siamese Town Shelled—Chinese Press Calls Siam a Puppet**

BANGKOK, Thailand (Siam), Nov. 29 (UP).—Three French airplanes which attempted yesterday to raid Nakornphanom, Siam, were shot down by Siamese defense forces, it was claimed in an official announcement today.

Siam, engaged in land and air hostilities with the French on the Cambodia and Laos borders of Indo-China following French rejection of Siamese demands for territorial concessions in those areas, today ordered censorship of all military information, effective immediately.

A High Command order said that French nationals must evacuate certain frontier districts within 24 hours and other districts within 48 hours.

## FRENCH SHELL SIAM TOWN

HANOI, Nov. 29 (UP).—French and Siamese land and air forces fought yesterday on the disputed Cambodia and Laos frontiers, authoritative quarters said today, but French officials continued to hope that hostilities could be localized.

The Siamese aerial bombardments were said to have destroyed houses and caused casualties, including dead and wounded.

In retaliation for the Siamese air attacks, the French said, French mortar batteries at Thakhek shelled the opposite Siamese town of Lakhon.

## CALLS SIAM JAPANESE PUPPET

CHUNKING, Nov. 29 (UP).—Japan is using Siam as a puppet to wipe out French forces in Indo-China, the official Chinese Central Daily News said today in commenting editorially on Siamese-French clashes on the Indo-China frontier.

The newspaper said that Siam's aggressiveness was bound to increase because of French unpreparedness and inability to replenish supplies.

The French difficulties were increased because of Japanese support of Siam, the Central Daily News said.

## Canada to Get Planes Refused To Sweden

**Gov't Withheld Export License—Said Nazis Might Get Them**

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29 (UP).—Canada has arranged to acquire 144 American-made combat planes originally ordered by the Swedish government, the United Press learned tonight.

Sweden had ordered the planes from the Vultee Aircraft Corporation, but the United States subsequently refused to grant an export license—ostensibly on grounds that the craft might fall into German hands.

The American government, however, was said to have had no part in arrangements for Canadian acquisition other than to issue export licenses.

A spokesman at the Swedish Embassy said he "knew nothing about the arrangements."

"That's a question between Vultee and anybody who buys the planes from them because Vultee has broken its contract with the Swedish government," he added.

## Canada Plans to Cut Imports from U.S.

OTTAWA, Ont., Nov. 29 (UP).—Legislation designed to encourage imports from Great Britain and discourage imports from the United States will be submitted to the present session of Parliament before it adjourns, it was revealed today.

The move was indicated in a notice by Prime Minister Mackenzie King that he intends to move the House into Committee of the Ways and Means to consider the government's tariff-exchange legislation.



**Army's Bridge-Constructors at Work:**

Their ten-ton portable bridge assembled, men of Companies A and B

of the Fifth Engineers, United States Army, more completed span into place over a gully during a demonstration of their training at Fort Belvoir, Va.

## Liverpool Battered By Heavy Raids

**British, Germans in Naval Battle in English Channel**

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added to the deadly hail as the bombers strove to light beacons.

An early group of raiders dropped fares in one district and followed them with two sticks of explosives before the ground defenses were able to put out the flares with tracer bullets.

The Air Ministry said five bombers were shot down during the day. Two British planes were reported missing.

## BRITISH CLAIM NAVAL VICTORY

LONDON, Nov. 29 (UP).—British and German light naval forces clashed in the mist-shrouded English Channel before dawn today and exchanged damaging blows before the enemy "retired at high speed" toward the French coast with the Royal Navy harriers in pursuit.

The German warships evidently took advantage of the weather over the channel to try to carry out a "hit-run" raid on shipping or coastal objectives.

One British vessel taking part in the encounter admittedly sustained damage. The Admiralty reported that "damage was inflicted upon the enemy" but its extent was undetermined.

(Nazi spokesmen in Berlin said that two British destroyers were torpedoed in a clash with German destroyers at the western exit of the Channel, close to the English coast, toward which the German destroyers had made a sortie.)

(The same sources said another group of German destroyers off the south coast of England sank two steamers of 9,000 and 3,000 tons respectively, along with two smaller ships. All German destroyers escaped unscathed, the spokesmen said.)

## Goebbels in Norway; Freemasons Banned

OSLO, Norway, Nov. 29 (UP).—German Propaganda Minister Dr. Paul Joseph Goebbels arrived here today. He was greeted by high German military and civil officials.

OSLO, Nov. 29 (Via Berlin).—Freemasonry was banned today in Norway in a decree by Major Quisling, Norwegian Nazi puppet dictator, which set penalties for members who quit and converted the orders' headquarters into a museum.

## Britain's Democracy: Safe Comfort for the Rich; Death And Disease for the Poor--Pro-War Writers Admit It

"Workers demanding improved shelter conditions in East London were savagely set upon, beaten, kicked and belated by police in Stepney yesterday afternoon."

"It was the most violent attack by police upon London workers which has occurred since the war began. The beating and bawling with working men and women reeling under the blows of a large force of tin-hatted police, went on all over the inside of the headquarters of Captain Beaumont, Stepney's ARP dictator, and in the streets outside."

(From the Monday, Oct. 21, issue of the British Daily Worker.)

Democracy, like charity, "begins at home."

The British workers are under no illusions that Churchill rule-class is fighting to defend democracy, for it is witnessing daily the gigantic sham performance of that so-called British democracy in action. Every time a Nazi bomb plummets from the sky, its blinding flash throws into bold relief the murderous class distinctions existing under this hypocritical "democracy."

Recently, after a long period of

saccharine reporting from London by American war correspondents, the truth has begun gradually to leak out from behind Downing Street's censorship.

And that truth is shocking, for it shows what the Daily Worker has been revealing right along, through its own London dispatches, since the first night London was bombed by Nazi raiders.

EVERY COMFORT FOR RICH

The simple irrefutable facts are these—and we are using pro-British war correspondents as our source:

The British wealthy class is nightly tucked away in absolutely safe bomb proof shelters; large, and air-conditioned, with funkeys, doctors, nurses always on hand; they sleep, to quote one of these correspondents whom we will name further on, in "a neat row of cots, spaced about two feet apart, each one covered with lovely fluffy eider-down."

The rich who remain in London, and the few rich children who haven't been shipped out of the city, or to America, have nothing to fear from the German air raiders. They don't face death, they don't have to pack into damp, suffocating, disease-spreading subways, and

## Colombians Protest Raid On Communist Meeting

**Even Official Government Organ Criticizes Police Action Against Celebration of Soviet Revolution in Baranquilla**

(Special to Inter-Continental News)

BOGOTA, Colombia, Nov. 29. — Colombian public opinion is intensely aroused over police raids on a Communist Party meeting held to celebrate the 23rd anniversary of the great October Revolution, in the city of Baranquilla, information reaching here revealed.

Police squads invaded the Cultural Center of Baranquilla, "Camilo Torres," disrupted the proceedings and arrested the audience including maritime workers, trade union and Communist leaders. The raid was illegal.

News reaching here from Baranquilla, Lafaurie, has banned the singing of the International.

Even the Government Party, in its official organ *El Liberal* has been forced to take a stand denouncing this police procedure against a "legal, minority party whose right cannot be violated without breaking the Constitution of the Colombian Republic."

*El Liberal* also denounced the activities of the Conservative Party, which calls for civil war and a policy of terrorist, personal attacks. This organization, it points out, is permitted to propagandize for its subversive program freely, while the Communist, who adheres to the Constitution are attacked, their meetings raided and their leaders jailed.

In its editorial *El Liberal* declared:

"It is our opinion that the Colombian citizens, members of the Communist Party who were arrested during the celebration of the Russian Revolution and freed later pending sentence, have been made the victims of an outrage. It is to be regretted that the press of the traditional political parties and the government itself through Congress has not raised a voice to condemn this abuse, or to investigate the circumstances under which it was carried out. Freedom of assembly and opinion are too sacred in a democracy to leave them unprotected or to deny them to minority groups with which we completely disagree but which, under the Constitution, have the right to express themselves and to practice free assembly."

"The Colombian Communists have complied with all existing laws in Colombia. They exercise their political rights. They have presented candidates in the elections, and they enjoy all the guarantees given to any other party. Some may rejoice at the idea of

the arrest of a few Communist leaders. But this precedent, if accepted, would leave a minority group without the rights enjoyed by the traditional parties. While there is no law banning Communist activities—and such a law will not be passed if the Constitution is to be respected—the Communists have the right to assemble and to express and develop their political activities which do not in any way interfere with public order.

"The Conservative Party, through one of its most outstanding leaders, has declared for a program of civil war and personal attacks, even pointing out the victim of its political action. Is it more or less revolutionary, subversive or illegal than the Communist Party. On this question which deals with the liberty of the people under a democracy there must be no favoritism. We submit these ideas to the Minister of the Interior who is a well-known liberal and democrat, to answer to the people if there has been any change in the Colombian institutions which weaken or limit the guarantees of all citizens to their rights for a free press, free opinion and free assembly."

Gilberto Viera, Communist leader, in an editorial in the Communist Party paper *Ahora*, writes:

"The outrage . . . is a warning signal to the popular masses of Colombia and to the freedom loving people of America. We are not so naive as to imagine that these outrages are the product of the class ignorance of a chief of police. Baranquilla is the second most important city of Colombia and the governor down to the last clerk are the faithful guardians of the bankers and imperialist American interests—always ready to strike against the liberty of the anti-imperialist forces."

"Besides the aggressiveness of Governor Lafaurie there is the fact that the United States in its frenzied march toward the involvement in the imperialist war strives to make cannon fodder of the Latin American people for the benefit of the bankers and the munition makers. The American imperialists know that in carrying out their criminal plans they will run into the resistance of the Latin American people. . . . The 'arch-democrat,' Mr. Roosevelt, knows that the Latin Americans do not want to be massacred this time in the imperialist conflict, nor be choked by the Yankee

colossus. Therefore Roosevelt develops and encourages reaction in our country to force us under North American bondage, by blood and fire if necessary."

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## Begin Work Of Restoration In Kwangsi

**Name 2 Officials to Head the Work; Give 4 Million Chinese Dollars**

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

SHANGHAI, Nov. 29. — General Chang Fakwei, vice-commander of the Fourth Military Zone, and Huan Syuchi, governor of Kwangsi province, arrived in Nanning on Nov. 20 to head the work of restoring Southern Kwangsi province.

The Chinese government has allocated about four million Chinese dollars for the task.

Meanwhile, 20,000 catties of rice (a catty is 1.333 pounds) is being provided for the destitute population. Part of Nanning's population which fled from the invader are already returning to the city, while 20 per cent of the city's stores have reopened. Schools are also being reopened by government authorities.

## War Ship Toll Put At 3,000,000 Tons

WASHINGTON (UP). — World shipping losses have exceeded 3,000,000 gross tons since the European war began in September, 1939, and at least 300,000 tons additional have been seriously damaged, according to the statistics of the U. S. Maritime Commission.

It is certain that losses to date are considerably higher than this, as the commission's figures extend only to the early part of October.

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## Nazi Bomber Crew Interned by Irish

BELFAST, Northern Ireland, Nov. 29.—A German bomber came down in the sea today six miles off Blasket Island near the western tip of Ireland on the County Kerry coast. The crew of five was rescued and interned by authorities of Eire, which is neutral.

## Submarine Launched

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Nov. 29.—The submarine Grenadier, costing \$3,500,000 and built in less than nine months, was launched today at Portsmouth Navy Yard.

To continue with Mr. Reynolds's story:

"I came out of the stagnant atmosphere of the subway for a breath of fresh air. I walked down Fleet Street and into the Strand. I stopped at the Savoy Hotel to see how the people sleep there at night. The Savoy had an elaborate shelter. There is a doctor on duty twenty-four hours a day. Several members of the hotel staff took nurses courses and they stand by. They have built a miniature hospital, complete even to a small operating table. It was quiet there. People who live in the West End hotels have it a bit easier than those who sleep in the subway shelters."

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SHANGHAI, Nov. 29 (UP). — At least 150 persons were killed or wounded today when a train bearing prominent Japanese and Chinese officials to Nanking for the formal recognition by Japan of Wang Ching-wei's regime was dynamited near Soochow by Chinese guerrillas.

The wreck tied up traffic on the Shanghai-Nanking railroad, delaying the regular train from Nanking.

Reports from Soochow said it had been confirmed that Chinese guerrilla forces placed dynamite under the tracks over which the train to Nanking traveled.

Japanese here said that many prominent Chinese and Japanese officials who had planned to take the train waited for a later one, thus escaping danger.

Soochow is in the center of an area from which Chinese guerrillas never have been cleared, despite Japanese occupation of the city since 1937.

## Iron Guardists Slay 2,000 In Pogroms

Clashes With Army Seen As Verging On Civil War; Deny 'Crisis'

(Continued from Page 1)

growing out of the execution by Iron Guardists of former officials of exiled King Carol.

Officials denied emphatically that "any additional German troops had entered Bucharest or Rumania on account of the situation." Officials admitted, however, that there has been "certain movements of Rumanian troops in the provinces, carrying out instructions."

A high government spokesman told the United Press:

"The Iron Guards are supporting Antonescu, who remains firmly in control with no possibility of an imminent crisis. However, in view of the present situation, it is only natural that special military precautions have been taken and continue."

"It should in no wise be considered that Rumania's independence or sovereignty have been in any wise sacrificed by these measures," this source added.

German troops throughout Rumania, government sources insisted, continue at their assigned posts "for instruction." Those in Bucharest were said to be inside their barracks, or at their fields of instruction.

Officials said there had been a number of arrests of extreme elements of the Iron Guard and that "severe punishment" was expected to be dealt them.

RUMANIAN DIPLOMATS PROTEST PRO-Nazi POLICIES

LONDON, Nov. 29 (UP).—Seven members of the Rumanian legation staff here today telegraphed to Bucharest their resignations from the diplomatic service as a protest against the pro-Nazi policy of Gen. Ion Antonescu and the reign of terror in Rumania.

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**Pretty Pickets:** Striking office workers of the Glueckin Corp., makers of brassieres, picket the firm's office. Strike is now being mediated. Girls are members of the United Office and Professional Workers, CIO.

## CIO Electrical Union Signs 2 'Defense' Firms

**Pacts Won Yesterday Make Three in Major Shops In 2 Weeks; Cover 3,000 With Wage Increases of \$600,000**

Local 475, United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers, CIO, yesterday reached agreements with two more large manufacturers in New York City busy on war contracts, resulting in substantial wage increases for the workers.

Business representatives Albert Stankus and William Mitchell of the union, said this brings to three major contracts the union won without a strike in the past two weeks, involving a total of three thousand workers.

The yearly wage boost in the three plants will pass the \$600,000 mark, they said.

The two latest to sign renewed contracts are the International Projector Corp. of 90 Gold St., employing 350, now engaged on manufacturing of bomb sights, and the Mergenthaler Linotype Corp., 291 Ryerson St., Brooklyn, employing 1,450, now engaged on gun sights.

Two weeks ago the E. W. Bliss Co., manufacturing bullet making machinery, employing 1,000 workers, signed a contract granting wage increases.

### BEAT 'DEFENSE' HOWL

The local's business agents said the satisfactory agreement was reached despite a howl whipped up by the firms in the "name of defense." The workers stuck to their guns and in two of the plants authorized strike action if an agreement failed.

At International Projector, the agreement gives a flat seven-cent wage increase to all workers and raises the minimum from 60 cents to 67 cents an hour. The raise is retroactive to Nov. 1, when the old pact expired. Also, the number of paid holidays was raised to three. This was the third wage increase the union won within a year, two others amounting to five cents an hour each, were given November, 1939 and August.

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## Kern Admits He Released List of Candidates

**Defends His Action As Regular Procedure of Commission**

In another stormy session of the City Council Committee investigating the Civil Service Commission, Paul J. Kern, the commission's chairman, yesterday stated he released names of candidates for the position of borough superintendent to former Housing Authority Chairman Alfred Rheinheim before the list was officially made public.

For four days the committee, headed by Councilman Alfred E. Smith, Jr., has been hearing testimony showing that Mr. Kern had done just that.

Emil K. Ellis, counsel for the committee, charged that release of the names was done in violation of civil service rules in order to eliminate from a housing job a political foe of Mayor LaGuardia.

### DEFENSE ACTION

"It seems to me," said Kern, "that the facts are perfectly clear. Mr. Rheinheim wanted me to furnish him names to fill the vacancies and the best information was given him as to the high candidates. This has been the practice of the commission."

Kern added that there was nothing wrong with the action. He stated that during the last eight months he had furnished the Board of Transportation names of candidates for positions after the examinations were taken and before results were made public.

Throughout the session there were several of the usual clashes between Kern and Ellis and Al Smith, Jr.

Earlier clashes brought two citations for contempt against the Civil Service president.

Yesterday Kern said he "couldn't trust" Ellis, who in reply charged Kern with "contentious, rebellious behavior" and acting like a "bull in a china closet."

Kern was also chided by Councilman Smith for the way Kern answered Ellis's questions and ordered Kern to sit down when he attempted to answer the counsel.

## 1,000 Electrical Supply Workers Strike Monday

One thousand members of the Supply Division, Local 3, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL, will strike Monday morning, unless employers make an eleventh hour move to negotiate with the union.

A unanimous strike vote was taken at a membership meeting of the division at a mass meeting in Webster Hall Thursday night when union officials reported that the Eastern Electrical Wholesalers Assn. flatly refused to negotiate renewal of the contract.

The men are demanding wage increases and reduction of hours.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 29 (UP).—Award of a \$113,822,280 contract for six cruisers to the Cramp Shipbuilding Co. of Philadelphia, was announced by Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox today.

Knox also disclosed that the company has been awarded a contract to expand its facilities. The expansion cost was estimated at \$9,500,000 and must not exceed \$10,000,000. The new facilities will include additional shipways, cranes, outfitting piers, machine shops, pipe shops, and tools.

The award brings the total of United States naval vessels now under construction or contract to 329.

## Party and Press Building Drive Announced by N.Y. Communist Party

Proclaiming a Party and Press Building Drive, to extend from Dec. 1 to Feb. 12, the New York State Committee of the Communist Party yesterday issued the following announcement to its membership:

"We have just finished an election campaign which Comrade Browder called 'the most peculiar election campaign in the history of our country.' In this campaign, masses of people were placed in motion, new sections of voters being aroused, particularly the youth and the women.

There was every reason why they should be aroused in face of the danger of our country being drawn into the war, peace-time conscription being adopted, civil rights being attacked and the economic conditions of the workers being worsened. The attacks were launched particularly against the Communists in all parts of the country, against the aliens, the trade unions, and were accompanied by a red-baiting campaign of unparalleled proportions.

In this drive, the Social Democrats played their traditional role of trying to chain the people to the Wall Street war machine. The people saw through the double-tongued Thomas, and, deluded by the two major capitalist parties, cast their vote for peace.

In the three weeks since the election campaign, large numbers of the people have seen that the demagogic promises of Roosevelt have been turned into the very opposite. Step by step, he is leading us into the imperialist war. New attacks against civil liberties are being prepared. Roosevelt threatens to take away the right to strike and is cutting the

social welfare budget to the bone. In this situation, the people are looking for leadership. Therefore our Party must place itself in a position to give that leadership and aid the workers in their struggle.

In the election campaign our Party reached millions of people through the radio, press, literature, etc. Through the petition campaign in the State of New York, we came into direct contact with hundreds of thousands of people who have received our literature, had questions explained and have come closer to our Party. This was accomplished in the face of terror which extended to all parts of the country.

The National Committee meeting of our Party demonstrated that we have intensified our contact with the masses, thereby growing in strength and influence. The responsibility therefore rests upon us of educating these masses in order:

a) to strengthen the labor movement and its leadership within the whole population;  
b) to deepen and broaden the struggle for peace, civil rights and the economic needs of the workers;  
c) to educate the workers in the spirit of the struggle for Socialism.

In face of this favorable situation the New York State Committee of the Communist Party has decided to launch a



**Troops Sail for Alaska:** The U.S. government is preparing to evict 140 destitute families who settled as colonists in Matanuska Valley, Alaska, in order to gain increased agricultural production to feed additional troops being sent there. Photo above shows 715 men leaving Seattle aboard the transport St. Mihiel. The families are being evicted through action of the Alaska Rural Rehabilitation Corp., a government agency.

## Gov't Colonists in Alaska Fight Against Eviction

**140 Families at Matanuska Face Loss of Land As Administration Moves to Convert Colony Into Supply Source for Army**

SEATTLE, Nov. 29.—One hundred and forty of the distressed agricultural families financed in "a new start in life" in Alaska's fertile Matanuska Valley by the government are behind in their payments and are to be evicted soon after Dec. 1 unless they can do something about it.

The Alaska Rural Rehabilitation Corp. has become a hard creditor. Herbert Hansen, its general manager, has issued an ultimatum to those in arrears, who constitute a large portion of the colonists, now numbering 200 families.

The colonists have organized a protective organization, have retained an attorney and are appealing to Washington. Carl Rasmussen is secretary of the colonists' co-operative which took over the colony's marketing and producing units from the corporation this year. His wife said:

"It is impossible to pay. The average family's indebtedness is \$1,500 and the average farm's income for 1940 was only \$300."

The corporation wants to increase the colony's production so it can do more toward feeding increased Alaskan army garrisons. The army's enlarged aerial force is quartered at Anchorage, 50 miles southwest of the colony. Colonel O. F. Olson, president of the corporation's board, believes that if the tracts can be consolidated for farming, as large units the cleared, tillable land will produce much more.

The colony was laid out with 173 tracts of 40 acres each, with a family assigned to each. By fore-

closing the corporation could consolidate these tracts into a few large farms for more intensive cultivation.

Farmers "who are good operators and good credit risks" will be given more land, Colonel Olson said.

The colony has supplied a fair quantity of potatoes, some fresh milk, butter and eggs to the army post, but the supply has been far less than the need.

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The State Committee proposes that each branch shall be responsible for recruiting at least two members and for achieving a sale and distribution of at least 5 Daily Workers per day and 10 Sunday Workers.

In communities of Jewish-speaking people, the proportion of Daily Workers and of Freiheit shall be established. In other language-speaking communities, the progressive language press shall become part of the quota of each branch of the Party.

On the basis of this decision and of the document that will be sent to the sections and branches, we urge the corresponding committees to work out plans, establish the machinery and prepare for regular systematic check-up in each branch of the Party as to the accomplishments week by week.

Special concentration shall be placed on industrial workers, Negroes and women.

The New York State organization has shown that it is able to achieve the tasks that it sets itself. The New York State Committee, realizing its responsibility and determined to take advantage of the tremendous possibilities that exist of building our Party and the press, calls upon the Sections and the Branches to develop the widest initiative in the formulation of methods and plans in order to strengthen our Party and enable it even more effectively to participate in, and lead the mass struggles that are in the offing.

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1) From Dec. 1 to Jan. 13 (Lenin Memorial meeting).  
2) From Jan. 14 to Feb. 12

## Aluminum Co. 1-Week Strike Is Settled

**Demand for Transfer of Dues-Delinquent Worker, Granted**

(Special to the Daily Worker)

NEW KENSINGTON, Pa., Nov. 29.—The one-week strike of 7,500 workers at the Mellon-owned Aluminum Company of America plant here ended today with what both company and union spokesmen claimed was a satisfactory settlement.

The strike ended abruptly after Philip Murray, newly elected chief of the CIO, had conferred with Nick Zonari, international president of the Aluminum Workers of America, and with officials of AWA Local 2, which had called the strike. The union announced that the company had agreed to transfer the worker whose dues delinquency had caused the strike to another department. It was also stated that the worker would be put on an odd shift and thus would not enter the plant together with union members.

Dismissal of transfer of the dues delinquent worker was the sole demand of the union leadership in July of this year, the same leaders who had persuaded the union membership to accept a two-cent an hour increase in place of a demand eight-cent increase. The union voted to strike for the eight-cent increase but were swayed by union officials who pleaded that they accept the smaller increase because of the needs of "national defense."

The plant has been on a twenty-four hour production schedule filling airplane and army kitchen equipment orders.

A closed union member meeting, which ratified the settlement last night, heard Leo Kravsky urge the workers to return to work. Kravsky appeared as a personal representative of Sidney Hillman.

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## Builders Fight For Union Wage At Army Camp

**Protests of A. F. of L. Workers Grow in Midwest; Refuse to Work at WPA Pay Rate At Camp Dodge**

(By Federated Press)

DES MOINES, Ia., Nov. 29.—Protest by union building trades workers throughout the country against employment of WPA workers at nonunion wage scales for defense construction jobs took a definite form when members of the local Building Trades Council refused to work on such jobs.

Their action, coming after announcement that the \$500,000 construction job at Camp Dodge would be done by the WPA, will halt work on the camp and all WPA defense projects in this area.

The refusal to work on these projects was agreed to by all members of the BTC. The practice of employing WPA men on defense jobs "strikes directly at the living standards and conditions established through years of unionism," the council said.

This same question of employment of WPA workers on defense construction jobs was the cause of a recent strike of the International Union of Operating Engineers (AFL) at the new naval reserve army in Santa Barbara, Cal.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29 (UP).—The U.S. government is preparing to evict 140 destitute families who settled as colonists in Matanuska Valley, Alaska, in order to gain increased agricultural production to feed additional troops being sent there. Photo above shows 715 men leaving Seattle aboard the transport St. Mihiel. The families are being evicted through action of the Alaska Rural Rehabilitation Corp., a government agency.

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## UNIONS AROUSED AGAINST SMITH BILL

AFL, CIO Union Leaders See in Measure a Dangerous Threat to All of Labor's Gains and Right of Workers to Organize

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was aimed to stem the CIO's announced organization drive. His statement said: "This Smith Bill would tie the hands of labor and is an attempt to nullify the gains of the Wagner Act. The Bill which does the bidding of the National Association of Manufacturers is but an excuse hiding behind National Defense to take away from the workers the right to strike. Sabotage and treason will be the cry of the industrialists in hope of smashing unionization. The recent victories of the UAW-CIO Yutec Aircraft strike and the mouthings of sabotage by Rep. Dies and his kind is an example.

"The Smith Bill follows on the heels of the CIO convention which voiced the solid determination for the organization of millions still unorganized. National Defense must not be the excuse for the payment of 50 cent hourly rates with millions of dollars awarded to the super patriotic Fords. The best National Defense is a satisfied people and not the increasing of the 52,000,000 shrunken bellies.

"All efforts must be put forth by organized labor for the defeat of the Smith Bill which would place in the hands of the employers the weapon for the establishment of the open shop."

### FEDERATION OF ENGINEERS

Local 101, of the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians, through its spokesmen, A. Glass, executive secretary, said:

"We are emphatically opposed to such legislation and will fight for its defeat. Labor will not submit to losing the rights and gains it has fought for these many years.

"I speak for the president of our local, A. Kaufman and also for the chairman of the executive committee, James R. Eisen."

### GARMENT WORKERS MACHINISTS

Speaking for Local 150, United Mechanics of the Garment Indus-

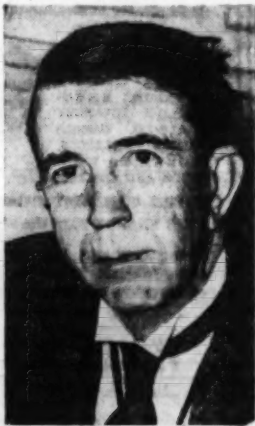
try, a CIO machinists local, Rubin Wagoner, general manager of the local declared:

"The Smith Bill, now before Congress, expresses the secret hopes and long cherished aims of the most reactionary and anti-labor forces in this country.

"If American labor unions do not force the defeat of this strike-breaking bill, it will mark the abolition of our Constitutional rights and the beginning of the enslavement of the entire American people. In particular the bill would outlaw strikes by imposing compulsory arbitration and would make illegal the union closed shop.

"The power of the courts to impose prison sentences up to life would crush every vestige of independent trade union organization and make every struggle for higher wages or better working conditions an act of treason and sabotage.

"The speed with which this bill has been forced onto the floor of Congress proves that labor must be eternally vigilant and must mobilize its forces for immediate and strenuous action in order to defeat this and similar attempts to shackle the freedom of the people."



Author of Bill  
HOWARD W. SMITH

## CIO Council Denounces Legislation to Bar Strikes

Also Asks FDR to Veto Anti-Labor Walter-Logan Bill—Reports of Delegates Show That Organizing Drive Is Already Under Way

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ative board members for the term starting next January.

Complete unity, full endorsement of the CIO convention decisions, renomination of the council's leadership and the high enthusiasm during reports on strikes and organization, set the tone in this city for what is soon expected to develop into a sweeping organization drive.

Joseph Curran, president, "Mills" and Austin Hogan, first vice-president, were renominated without opposition for next Thursday's election of officers. For the second vice-presidency, left vacant by John Cooney of the United Retail and Wholesale Workers, the nominees were Peter Hawley of Local 16, Office Workers, and Abram Flaxer, president of the State, County and Municipal Employees.

In the list of 19 candidates for 16 places on the executive board, virtually all former members were renominated. The nominations were made by petition from caucuses of each delegation.

Another resolution asks President Roosevelt to veto the Walter-Logan bill, charging that the bill would in effect nullify the laws favorable to labor.

Upon the report of Mills, the Council adopted a resolution expressing endorsement of Philip Murray's election as president of the CIO; greeted Curran's election as a vice-president of the CIO, and hailed Lewis' declaration that he will continue in the fight for the common people of America.

The high point of the Council's meeting came during reports of delegates on the progress of organization. It was quite apparent that the CIO's call to organization is already moving. David Livingstone, of Local 65 of the Wholesale and Warehouse Employees, reported that within recent weeks the union issued more than 1,000 new membership books, bringing the local's membership to over 8,000.

William Mitchell, Local 475 of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, reported that within two weeks three major war contract plants, employing 3,000 workers, renewed contracts granting substantial wage increases.

Local 830 of the United Retail Union reported on its strike at the "Vim Radio" stores and called for support. Similar support was

asked in behalf of Local 906, Retail Cigar Store Employees, who may come out on strike at United Cigar Stores at midnight.

The resolution dealing with labor in national defense declares that "evidence is multiplying that reactionary anti-labor forces both within and outside of Congress are preparing to attack and if possible to outlaw the basic and inalienable right of American workers to organize, to bargain collectively, and if necessary to strike in order to attain a decent American standard of living."

The resolution further reads: "Such attacks disguised as measures to further national defense are actually designed and would have the effect of striking a body blow at the greatest force for democracy in this nation and at the most powerful reserve of real national defense—the labor movement.

"It is a matter of public and shameful record that the Federal government permits sub-standard conditions of employment and anti-labor practices to prevail in many defense plants, and actually encourages employers in national defense industries to defy the labor laws of the land by granting violators fat government contracts at huge profits.

"The CIO has squarely placed before the American people its resolve to further all measures truly designed to strengthen the democratic institutions of this nation, and has publicly and repeatedly gone on record against all elements seeking to subvert our democracy or sabotage production."

The resolution reaffirms the determination of CIO unions "to preserve labor's fundamental rights as the surest safeguard against the collapse of democracy in this country, and vigorously condemns all efforts from whatever source to undermine or abolish the right of American workers to organize, bargain collectively or strike in defense of their standards."

It further requests Congress and President Roosevelt "to call upon Henry Ford and other employers receiving government defense contracts to comply with the laws of the land, and to refrain from using national defense needs as an excuse for exploiting their workers or denying them their elementary American rights."

## Hit Post Office Violation of Labor Laws

AFL Protests Trucking Bids Which Ignore Wage Rates

The Post Office Department was accused yesterday by John J. McKenna, secretary-treasurer of Local 814, International Brotherhood of Teamsters, AFL, of "flagrant violation" of the Walsh-Healy Act and the Transportation Act in connection with the hiring of private trucks to facilitate Christmas deliveries in Manhattan, Brooklyn and the Bronx.

Mr. McKenna charged that the government department was acting counter to professed administration aims by ignoring the prevailing rate of pay in calling for bids for a contract for 7,700 hours of delivery work.

The union official quoted from a letter received yesterday from Walter Myers, fourth Assistant Postmaster General, to support his charge that "one hand of the administration is pretending not to know what the other hand is doing."

### WROTE TO CONTRACTORS

The letter from Mr. Myers, which followed protests by the union to New York Postmaster Albert Goldman and Brooklyn Postmaster Frank J. Quayle, Jr., states in part:

"You are advised that the Department does not advertise bids for service by common carriers of freight which is subject to the Transportation Act of 1940; when such service is available at regularly published rates. There would, therefore, be no occasion for the award of a contract such as is mentioned in your letter."

Mr. McKenna said that Mr. Myers was technically correct when he said that the Department did not "advertise" for bids.

"What the Department did was send letters to a selected group of private trucking contractors," he explained. "The union has information that this resulted in the submission of bids at prices which would scarcely cover the labor costs, computed on the prevailing wage rate, let alone operating costs."

"A number of the bidders have only one or two trucks and are counting on supplying as many as 100 trucks to the Post Office Department by sub-contracting to fly-by-night operators. These outfits pay no workers' compensation insurance nor unemployment, and social security taxes."

### \$50,000 Fire Sweeps Franklinville Block

FRANKLINVILLE, N. Y., Nov. 29.—The business block in this western New York village of 2,000 was swept by fire of undetermined origin early today, resulting in damage estimated at \$50,000.

Telephone operators in one of the buildings remained at their posts until driven to the street by smoke.

### Air Liner Crashes

QUITO, Ecuador, Nov. 29.—A Pan American-Grace airliner crashed two miles north of Quito today, seriously injuring the crew of four and the one passenger aboard. The plane was destroyed.

The crash came shortly after the liner took off here for Cali, Colombia.

## Arms Program Aggravates Problem Of Migratory Labor, House Told

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quing the efforts of health officials, deputy sheriffs, and public agencies, as well as private social agencies, including the Travelers Aid and the American Red Cross, to bring some order out of chaos."

Ryan told the committee that a random sampling of the job seekers at Camp Blanding showed that workers had come there from at least 18 different states.

While about 20,000 workers were put on the payroll, Ryan said, many thousands more "still wait in hope of securing work; others are now moving on in the hope of a job in some other place."

He declared "there are similar situations in many parts of the country, as new camps are being built and as new industries are being developed."

"Many of these are the 'transients and bums' of a year or so ago—now still eagerly seeking work, but now honorably called 'mobile laborers' because their work is needed."

"Others are persons who but recently had continued to reside in a particular locality. They had local settlement but they are 'on the move.'"

Calling attention to the fact that this problem of transient workers



WHERE "FLYING FORTRESSES" ARE BEING BUILT: B-17C bombers in the final stages of completion at the Boeing aircraft plant in Seattle, Wash., where the 22-ton planes are being turned out at the rate of one every two days. The ships will have a cruising radius of 4,000 miles and will carry several tons of bombs.

## Fear 28 Dead In Ohio Mine Explosion

Men Entombed 500 Feet Below Surface

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dicate the trapped men were alive. Cause of the blast had not been determined, although one theory was that a slate fall broke electric wires and the resulting spark set off a gas explosion.

The concussion blocked section 12, north of the workings. The men were about 500 feet below the surface and about two miles from the section entrance.

Between 100 and 150 other workmen were in other sections of the mine at the time of the explosion. They immediately re-entered to aid in the rescue work.

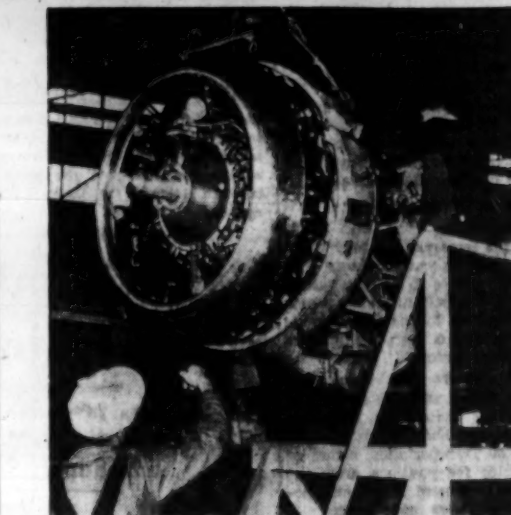
[This mine disaster comes as the Neely-Keller Bill, giving the United States Bureau of Mines a right to inspect a mine without the owner's authorization, remains buried in the dustbins of the House Mines and Mining Committee.

This bill is sponsored by the United Mine Workers to meet the growing menace of such disasters which are usually traced to negligence by the companies. The mine owners, clinging to their claim that an inspector has no right to violate their "private property" rights, are strongly opposing the bill, and blocked it through reactionaries in Congress. The Senate has already passed the bill with only one vote opposing it.]

### Small Fire Put Out on Cruiser Philadelphia

VALLEJO, Cal., Nov. 29 (UP).—A minor fire broke out today aboard the heavy cruiser Philadelphia and was extinguished without damage to the ship, officials at the Mare Island navy yard said. The Philadelphia is in the yard for routine repairs.

The fire started when sparks from a welding torch landed in a pile of shavings.



THE MACHINERY WHICH DRIVES THE BIG BOMBERS THROUGH THE SKIES: A 14-cylinder, 1,200-horsepower motor being installed on an engine mount in a 22-ton long-range bomber at the Boeing factory in Seattle, Wash. The speed of the four-motor ships is about 300 miles an hour.

## APM Charges Roosevelt Uses White Committee

Openly and Secretly Cooperate With Propaganda Agents Scheming to Drag United States Into the Imperialist War

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fore," he asserted, "both the administration and its propagandist spokesman stand condemned by devoting their major energies to dragging this country into war."

Field maintained that it was in line with the effort to "propagandize America into war," that the current campaign to extend credits to Britain has been inaugurated by the administration.

"The major purpose of this baloney program," the APM officer said, "is to create the public impression that Great Britain is on the verge of exhaustion, and that this country must rush to her aid nothing could be further from the truth, as any impartial inspection of the facts will show."

"Britain still has investments of cash, securities and investments in this country totaling over \$2,000,000,000 (billion), while an additional \$5,000,000,000 (billion) is held in Canadian and Latin American investments."

"It is further revealing of the real purpose behind this campaign," Field continued, "that, be-

fore the administration has even announced its official stand on this issue before the people of this country, reports from London indicate that the Churchill Government has received 'authoritative assurances' that the Johnson Act and the Neutrality Law Provisions will be repealed."

"This is not the first time, nor the only time, that this administration has been guilty of concealing from the American people the full extent of its international intrigues," he asserted. "The transfer of American ships to Britain was carefully kept concealed until it was virtually an accomplished fact. The recent signing of a pact with Mexico has still not been made public by this government."

"This time, however," Field said, "the people have been forewarned and they will soon show Congress that they will not have any part in further steps toward war."

It was also expected that another slightly damaged British warship would arrive with other wounded crew members, the agency said.

LA LINEA, Spain, Nov. 29 (UP).—A Spanish Mencheta New Agency dispatch today said that a British warship of the Berwick (cruiser) class arrived today slightly damaged and with some dead and wounded aboard.

It was also expected that another slightly damaged British warship would arrive with other wounded crew members, the agency said.

## 'FRONT' LEADER TELLS OF ARMY TIE

John F. Cassidy, Head of Christian Front, Testifies At Prout Court-Martial That Bishop Had Connections With Colonel

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the floor for the first time in his own defense since the military trial started and read an unsworn statement to the court in which he denied the admissions which he made during the federal court trial, and to agents of the FBI when he was arrested earlier this year. In a signed confession, introduced into the military trial by the prosecution, Capt. Prout had admitted giving fascist Bishop the 1,800 rounds of ammunition.

### DENIES CONFESSION

In the course of his unsworn statement Thursday night, Capt. Prout denied his earlier testimony in federal court and the contents of the confession, charging that it was obtained by the FBI agents under duress. He declared that at the time of his arrest, he was overworked and fatigued and that he was not responsible for what he said.

Under the rules of the Manual of Courts Martial, Capt. Prout was told by court president Col. H. Russell Drown, that as an officer, he had the privilege of three alternatives: he could make a sworn statement to the court, under which he could be placed on the witness stand and examined by the prosecution, or he could present an unsworn statement, under which he could not be put on the stand, or "remain silent." He was also told by the court that an unsworn statement would not carry the weight of a sworn statement. The military trial resumed again last night at the Squadron A. Armory.

### OFFICERS CRITICIZED

Meanwhile, a sharp echo of the military trial here sounded from Fort McClellan, Ala., where Capt. Prout's regiment is now stationed. Major General William N. Haskell, commander of the Twenty-seventh Division, in a press conference Thursday publicly criticized two officers of Capt. Prout's regiment who had been sent to New York last week at the request of

Lieut. Mungo to testify. The two officers, Major John J. Rhatigan and Lieut. Herman Lutz, after appearing to testify, were denounced by the military court as "hostile" witnesses and Major Rhatigan was held in contempt.

Major General Haskell, in his press conference, said he wanted the enlisted men and officers of Capt. Prout's regiment to know "I'm not going to stand for any stalling." He declared, "I want officers to tell all they know about a subject unless it is something that might incriminate them. I don't want any officer in my outfit who can't get up in court and give full testimony."

## Dispute Over Speedup Closes Briggs

Shutdown of Huge Body Plant Stops Plymouth

DETROIT, Nov. 29 (UP).—A dispute over production schedules tonight forced the closing of two automobile plants.

The Briggs Manufacturing Company closed its Mack Avenue plant this afternoon when the UAW-CIO disagreed with schedules designating the number of men required to do an operation in the panel assembly division. Shortly afterward the Plymouth plant of the Chrysler Corporation also closed, its supply of parts cut off by the Briggs shutdown.

The dispute remained unsettled when the night shift came on and both plants were closed again. Neither is open on Saturday. Each employs 5,000 men on a shift. Union officials were confident that a settlement would be reached during the weekend.

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## Reveal FBI Snoops on NLRB Investigators; One 'Charged' with Studying Anthropology

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—Employees of the National Labor Relations Board have been subject to the snoopers of J. Edgar Hoover and his FBI. It was revealed here as the Smith committee trained its guns on NLRB member Edwin S. Smith.

On November 14, 1940, according to a letter produced by the committee, Hoover wrote the board concerning one of its employees in St. Louis, Mo.

"I wish to advise you," the letter said, "information has been received by this bureau to the effect that Grant Cannon, a field examiner connected with the

NLRB at St. Louis, Mo. is known to have radical tendencies leaning towards Communism.

"It is further reported that Cannon has studied anthropology and has been affiliated with the NLRB for three years.

"It was also reported that Cannon visited Mexico City, Mexico, to observe the presidential election in that country in July, 1940.

"The above information is submitted for your consideration and whatever action you deem appropriate."

The dictionary defines anthropology as the "study of man as an animal; the whole science of man."

That the board did not deem it appropriate to take action was held against Smith by the Smith committee, headed by Rep. Howard W. Smith (D, Va.).

Other evidence produced by the committee in its attempt to prove the alleged subversive character of Edwin S. Smith was a letter from the civil service commission concerning two stenographers employed by the board, one in Cleveland and the other in Pittsburgh.

The letter said that the Cleveland stenographer was known to have contributed to a fund for Spanish loyalists and that the sister of the Pittsburgh stenographer was a Communist and held

Communist meetings in her house.

When the letter was discussed by the board, the Smith committee revealed, NLRB member William Leiserson advocated sending the letter to the FBI while Edwin S. Smith opposed this course on two grounds.

Smith said the source of the information was not revealed and that William McReynolds administrative assistant to the President, had written letters to agencies instructing them not to send rumors to the FBI.

The house committee attempted to show that by this course Edwin S. Smith had aligned himself with alleged "subversive characters."

## Los Angeles CIO Council Told to Seek 3d Party

Resolution Calls for Immediate Creation of Labor Political Arm in County and to Work For Nation-Wide Party

(Special to the Daily Worker)  
LOS ANGELES, Nov. 29.—To stop regimentation of American workers . . . to stop setting up of an American military dictatorship . . . to scotch plans for imperialist adventures abroad, the Los Angeles CIO Industrial Union Council was today petitioned to start work for a third political party.

Behind the move to block Wall Street's drive to war and fascism—which they said must be carried out by American workers backed by progressive elements generally—was Local 1421, United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America, CIO, with 400 members.

By unanimous vote, the local asked the CIO Council to set up a committee immediately to create a labor party in Los Angeles County "and for the purpose of assisting the formation of such a party throughout the state of California and the United States."

The third party demand, the union said, was made necessary by collusion and collaboration between the controlling elements of both major political parties, as demonstrated in the 1940 elections, to deprive the American people of their democratic right to set the nation's policy.

"It is now apparent," the resolution said "that the foreign and

domestic policies agreed upon prior to the election by these controlling elements were and are calculated to involve this nation in imperialist adventures abroad and to regiment the American people and saddle them with a military dictatorship at home."

To block this program, as is desired by all progressive elements in the labor movement and "of our society generally," a third party is necessary, the workers decided.



**Big Gun:** A barrel for one of the large guns is shown in the foreground. This operation precedes machining of the product. Watertown Arsenal in Massachusetts is rushing production of guns.

## Students Intimidated In WPA Witch Hunt

WPA Teachers Union Charges Gestapo Methods Are Used in Effort to Force Foreign Born to Sign Statements Against 'Suspected' Teachers

Terrorization and intimidation of foreign born adult students of English by a specially designated WPA police force was charged yesterday by William Levner, president of the WPA Teachers Union 453, AFL. Mr. Levner stated that "this latest outrage by the WPA represents still another desperate effort to obtain evidence against workers suspected of being 'radical' and suspended for months without any charges or a hearing."

"Hoping to solicit information that would bolster the trumped up charges against suspended WPA teachers," Levner said, "the WPA has resorted to calling in foreign born students whose teachers were suspended. These students had enrolled in the WPA Adult Education Project for the purpose of learning English and being helped to become American citizens. The WPA agents aware of the fear of 'officials' by the foreign born, many having come from fascist countries, hope to prevail on them to make statements that would prove damaging to their former teachers."

"The tactics of these agents are most reprehensible. They play on every fear that the foreign born with relatives living under a fascist regime are known to have. They call the students into a specially fixed up office located at 80 Eighth Ave. where they are subjected to the now familiar 'Gestapo' technique. They are questioned minutely about their personal lives, upon the circumstances attendant upon their entry in this country, about their relatives who are still in Europe, about their friends and present activities in this country."

**PREPARED STATEMENT**

"After this preliminary, when the agents feel that their victim is in a 'proper' frame of mind, they come to the point. The student is assured that nothing will happen to him if he will agree to 'cooperate.' Cooperation means signing a prepared statement that the agent shoves in front of him. The statement includes concocted stories which purport to prove that a particular teacher taught 'subversive or radical' doctrines in the class room. In most cases the frightened student does not even understand the WPA agent and cannot make head or tail of the documents he is asked to sign.

"We are very happy to say that in spite of the terrorism which is being exerted most of the students have shown complete solidarity with their harassed teachers. This Union will go to the defense of any foreign born student whom the WPA Gestapo attempts to browbeat and frighten into making untrue statements concerning his teacher."

## Yonkers Cable Plant to Have Run-Off Election

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29 (UP).—The National Labor Relations Board today ordered a run-off election within 30 days to determine an exclusive collective bargaining representatives for 575 workers in the Hableschaw Cable and Wire Division of Phelps, Dodge Copper Products Corp., Yonkers, N. Y.

Employees will choose between the AFL's International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and the CIO's United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers Union.

## Milton Howard Lectures Today at Workers School

"American Imperialism Bids for Power" is the subject of a lecture to be delivered this afternoon by Milton Howard, member of the Daily Worker editorial board. The lecture begins at 2:30 o'clock on the second floor of the Workers School, 30 E. 13th St.

## Draft Boards Won't Defer Cops, Firemen

More Rejections by Army Doctors Make Shortage in Quotas

The 5641 New York City policemen and 2709 firemen of draft age will not be exempted from service, draft officials have decided, in answer to petitions sent to them by Commissioner Lewis J. Valentine of the Police Department and John J. McElligott of the Fire Department requesting them not to strip the departments of trained men.

While a responsible conscription official has stated that his organization has no intention of depleting the city of its police and firemen the first policemen called and two of the first firemen have been refused deferment.

Commissioner McElligott, after receiving the ruling of the draft authorities, asserted that he would fight every individual case to the Draft Board Appeals.

The percentage for the rejection of men fell yesterday from the average of 21 per cent to 17.75 per cent. Army doctors thought this accidental and not due to any relaxation of standards despite the ruling from Washington yesterday that conscripts with removable dental bridges would now be considered eligible.

Great discomfort has resulted from the ruling ordering men accepted by their local boards to wind up their affairs before being examined by army doctors, it was revealed. Some men who had given up their apartments, sold their belongings and given up their jobs were left high and dry when they were not accepted by the army doctors after all.

It is expected that by the time the physical examinations are completed today the draft boards will have fallen 600 short of their quota for 2400 men. This will be filled on Dec. 12 and 13.

## Alexis Georgian Veteran Minn. Communist, Dies

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Nov. 28.—Alexis Georgian, one of the founders of the Communist Party in the northwest, died here recently. Speaking at the funeral inducted former Judge Arthur Le Sueur, Robley Cramer, editor of the AFL Minneapolis Labor Review, and Erik Bert who spoke on behalf of the Communist Party.

Erik Bert reviewed the activities of Alexis Georgian from his youth in Tsarist Russia, through the days of the world war when he was persecuted for his opposition to the entrance of the United States. The federal government tried to deport him in the days following the war, because of his anti-war stand. He was one of the founders of the Minnesota Friends of the Soviet Union. Alexis Georgian was born in the Caucasus 66 years ago.

## Jewish Youth Demand Palestine Ban Be Lifted

Send Protest to Lord Lothian—Jewish People's Committee Condemns Contrast in Treatment of Polish Nobles and Jewish Refugees

The Youth Division of the American Jewish Congress here demanded yesterday that the British Government rescind its ban on Jewish refugees attempting to enter Palestine. The action was taken in the form of a resolution submitted to Lord Lothian, British Ambassador.

Declaring that the ban "is in violation of the principles of democracy and humanity for which the British Government is presumably fighting," the resolution condemned as an "unprincipled action" the shipment of 1,772 refugees to a concentration camp in an unnamed colony.

The resolution also pointed out that the present action by the Churchill government is "in violation of the solemn pledges given to the Jewish people of the world by the Balfour Declaration of 1917" and demanded that the refugees be permitted to "land in the homeland that was promised to them."

In a companion resolution the Youth Division urged President Roosevelt to use his good offices to acquaint the British Government with "the deep anger and resentment of the Jewish People of America" and that he "further use his good offices in obtaining the admission of these same Jewish refugees to Palestine without further delay."

**PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE CALLS MASS RALLY**

The action of the British Government in permitting 500 nobles and war leaders of the defunct Polish government to enter Palestine while denying the same right to 1,771 Jewish refugees was severely condemned yesterday in a protest sent to Lord Lothian, British Ambassador to this country, by Bernard J. Harkavy, national secretary of the Jewish People's Committee.

Harkavy contrasted the reception accorded the Polish aristocrats with the "inhuman and callous disregard" manifested by the British officials in their treatment of the Jewish refugees and called upon Lord Lothian "to transmit to his government the indignation that the Jewish people feel on this matter."

Harkavy also demanded that the bar on the entry of these Jewish refugees be lifted as soon as possible.

The Jewish People's Committee also announced that it was sponsoring a mass protest rally against this discrimination at the Manhattan Center, 34th St. and Eighth Ave., Wed., Dec. 4, at 8 P.M. Elmer Brown, president of the Typographical Union No. 6, and Leonard Goldsmith, executive secretary of the New Jersey CIO, will address the meeting.

## Women Shoppers Back ILGWU 5th Ave. Strike

The New York League of Women Shoppers yesterday asserted their support of the strike of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union against the Tailored Woman, by placing a picket line in front of the Fifth Avenue establishment.

The United American Spanish Aid Committee, whose headquarters are at 200 Fifth Avenue, is conducting a public rally tomorrow afternoon at Manhattan Center, at 2:30 P.M., to acquaint the public with full information about the first American Rescue Ship Mission.



An unusual pocket treatment and a diagonal closing are featured in this black woolen coat. The pointed collar, a modified Peter Pan, is of flat fur.

## Blazes in City Kill 1, Injures 7 Others

3 Fires in 2 Boroughs Take Toll; Policeman Hurt in Rescue

Fires in two city boroughs yesterday killed one person, Mrs. Susan Ripley, 70, and sent seven others to hospitals for treatment.

The death resulted from a blaze which destroyed a two and one-half story wooden house in Linden Place, Rosebank, Staten Island.

The five injured were overcome in a two-alarm fire in a four-story brick store and apartment house at 257 Seventh Ave., Brooklyn. The injured were Mrs. Ellen McDaid, 43, her three children, Mary, 16, Elizabeth, 18, and James, 15, and Patrolman William McKearney of the Fifth Ave. Precinct who dashed through the smoke to rescue Mrs. McDaid. They were taken to the Methodist Hospital, Brooklyn.

Police said the fire started when an oil stove in the McDaid kitchen exploded while Elizabeth was preparing breakfast. The flames spread rapidly while the family rushed to the window to shout for help. Tenants on the other floor heard the cries and escaped to send the alarm.

As result of another Brooklyn blaze, at 3905 Fifth Ave., Ralph Falk, 39, and his wife, June, 36, were taken to Kings County Hospital to be treated for burns resulting when an oil heater tipped over.

## Big Rally Here Sunday to Aid Rescue Ships

Marcantonio to Speak, Peoples Chorus to Sing Spanish War Songs

Rep. Vito Marcantonio (AFL, N.Y.) will be the principal speaker at a public rally tomorrow afternoon at Manhattan Center, 34th St. and Eighth Ave., which is part of the national campaign for the first American Rescue Ship Mission, administered by the United American Spanish Aid Committee, 200 Fifth Ave.

Miss Helen Keller, internationally famous worker for the blind, is honorary chairman of the rescue project to save 150,000 Spanish refugees in French concentration camps behind barbed wire and to bring them to new life and freedom in Mexico and other republics below the Rio Grande. Sponsors include scores of distinguished figures in the educational, church, entertainment and literary fields.

Among them are H. G. Wells, Andre Maurois, Sherwood Anderson, Lion Feuchtwanger, James Tynan Parnham, Dorothy Parker, Lynn Fontanne, Bishop Edward L. Parsons, and the heads of Princeton, Rutgers, Temple and Drew Universities.

Other speakers at the meeting, which is being held under the auspices of the New York Chapter of the United American Spanish Aid Committee, will be the Rev. Ver Lynn Sprague, Prof. Walter Rautenstrauch, head of the Department of Engineering at Columbia University, William Pickens, Director of Branches, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Miss Carmen Meana, former secretary of the Subway Workers Union of Madrid, and Abbott Simon, national secretary of the American Youth Congress. Prof. Edwin Berry Burgum, of New York University, will be the chairman. The meeting starts at 3:30 P.M.

## New York Has Record Low for Auto Fatalities

ALBANY, Nov. 29 (UP).—New York established the lowest October traffic death toll in the history of the state last month with 240 auto fatalities, the Motor Vehicle Bureau announced today.

The total represented a drop of 18 per cent under October, 1939. There were 6,338 accidents that caused, in addition to the deaths, injuries to 8,666 persons.

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### Smith Leads the Pack

The entire labor movement should be aroused to action over the introduction by Rep. Smith of a bill outlawing strikes in "defense" industries and imposing life prison terms on persons held guilty of "interfering" with "national defense."

His bill of Rep. Smith's—the poll-tax Congressman from Virginia—is the most drastic of all the no-strike schemes that have been put forward. It reveals the real meaning of all the other mediation plans and the moves of Rep. Dies, Attorney General Jackson and the White House. All of these are but steps in the direction of Smith's fascist bill.

The fact that Smith's bill is so drastic should not deceive anyone into thinking that its chances of passage are therefore negligible. When Smith introduced his amendments to the Wagner Act—the most drastic of all that had been offered—some people thought that they had little chance of being enacted. Yet these amendments have passed the House and are now before the Senate Labor Committee. Meanwhile, Smith's bill attacking the aliens, has already become law.

The Smith no-strike bill pretends to place equal penalties on strikes by the workers and lock-outs by the employer. But these lock-out clauses are only a bit of sugar-coating which won't worry the employers in the "defense" industries. After all, are they not coining money hand over fist from government war contracts? They have no grievances. The grievances are all on the side of the workers who see attempts being made to outlaw organization and to freeze wages while profits and the cost of living rise.

The Smith bill is clearly the worst of all the attacks on labor's right to strike. But every attack—whether in words, editorials or actual legislation—is equally deadly. Labor only resorts to strikes as a last resort; but the right to strike must remain completely free at all times and without the slightest curb.

### The Not-So Innocent William Allen White

Mr. William Allen White has let his success affect his discretion. He is the genial-faced gentleman who cheerfully performs the most sinister services for the warmongers in Wall Street and Washington as chairman of the notorious Aid to the Allies Committee. Mr. White has been crowing about how easy it was to rig "public opinion" to make it appear that the American people were clamoring for Roosevelt to ship those 50 destroyers to the British empire.

In doing so, this cynical wire-puller reveals that the old tricks of 1917 are being worked over-time.

He reveals that his so-called committee is getting behind-the-scenes cooperation from the Army and Navy. In short, he reveals that this committee is not a public expression at all, but a political weapon manipulated by powerful pro-war military forces in the United States. And we venture to say that the British espionage service in the United States is not entirely indifferent to Mr. White's committee either.

Mr. White confesses what has been suspected:

"I want to say that we've never had an objective that wasn't approved in advance by the General Staffs of the United States Army and Navy. . . ."

In advance, let the reader carefully note. Mr. White then confesses how he "put General Pershing on the air" and sundry other tricks and stratagems for stampeding the people of the United States into accepting a Governmental deal on which they had never been consulted, and which was bluntly thrust into their faces by the Administration as an accomplished fact.

Mr. White's confessions caused blushes in the editorial offices of the New York Times yesterday. They do not object to his successful trickeries; they object to Mr. White being so clumsy about it. They demand more efficient deceptions in the future.

The post-war literature which has exposed the cynical techniques of 1917 for drugging and deceiving American opinion has become large. The phony "atrocity" propaganda; the secret Ambassador Page letters which committed America to war before the 1916 elections were over, and a host of similar deceptions—these were known to every honest person.

We think that Mr. White's cynical confessions should serve notice that the same game is being played all over again. The same forces are at work, with the same goals. Mr. White's confessions not only unmask him; they hit the Roosevelt Administration as well.

# The C. I. O. Convention

An Editorial

THE recent national convention of the CIO marked an important milestone in the development of the CIO and the American labor movement.

This great convention, representing and expressing the militancy, the organized power, the urgent economic demands, and the anti-war sentiments of all sections of the trade union movement, as well as of its own four million militant members, administered a series of heavy blows to the economic royalists and the imperialist war-makers, and to their agents within the labor movement. It charted a course which in a number of vital respects can further strengthen the CIO and enhance its influential role in the political life of the nation.

The reactionaries from Morgan and Ford, Roosevelt and Willkie, to Hillman, Green, and Woll had counted upon and prepared to utilize the CIO convention to disrupt the CIO and to divert it from the progressive orientation which it has followed, in the main, since its inception in Atlantic City five years ago. They speculated upon and strove to exploit the sharp differences within the ranks of the CIO which arose over the presidential elections in order to divide the organization, to obstruct its progressive activities, and to purge the CIO of all militant workers and leaders who have come forward in the recent period and played such a constructive role in leading the struggles of the workers and building the CIO.

Above all, the Administration and its labor lieutenants, such as Hillman, planned to use the "national defense" program of Wall Street and its government as the main instrument for paralyzing the CIO movement, for harnessing the CIO completely to the Administration's war program, and for blackjacking the CIO into accepting a reactionary form of "labor unity" under the domination of the Greens and Hillmans.

But, on the whole, the reactionaries did not succeed in attaining their immediate objectives in the convention. The overwhelming majority of the convention delegates, responsive to the will of the entire CIO membership, adhered to the established policies of the CIO and laid the basis for enabling the CIO organizations and membership to make new contributions towards safeguarding the rights and welfare of labor and the people, and the cause of peace. And in this connection, it is highly significant that whereas the majority of the delegates had supported Roosevelt for re-election as a "lesser evil" to Willkie, the bulk of these same delegates vigorously supported Lewis as against Hillman and on most questions of policy took a firm position of opposition to Roosevelt's and Willkie's program of imperialist war, hunger and reaction.

IN the forefront of the far-reaching actions of the CIO convention were its decisions and determination to resist and defeat the growing attacks of the government and the monopolists directed against the labor, farm, youth, Negro, and peace movements which are being launched under the guise of "national defense" and "national unity." In line with the report of John L. Lewis and the mandate from national unions, state and city councils and local unions, the convention adopted important points of a program to defend and improve the living standards, the trade union rights and civil liberties of the working people. These were embodied in numerous resolutions and in a people's legislative program.

And in the very center of the program of action mapped out to realize these militant objectives were the timely decisions taken to accelerate the organization of the unorganized, especially in the aviation and chemical industries, in Ford's and Little Steel, and in the South, as well as the supplementary measures adopted to MAINTAIN THE RIGHT TO STRIKE, to enforce collective bargaining, and to compel the "national defense" industries and all other corporate interests to comply with all labor and social legislation. Clearly these decisions are of tremendous importance and deserve and will undoubtedly receive the active support of the CIO membership and organizations and will likewise meet with a warm response and enlist co-operation and backing from the membership of the AFL and the Railway Brotherhoods.

One of the high points of the convention was its stand on the crucial question of labor unity. Here too the convention gave a sharp rebuff to the treacherous anti-labor policies of the Administration as championed by Hillman, Green and Dubinsky. In bold contrast to the position of the AFL convention, Lewis and

other CIO delegates brought forward a sound program for achieving that kind of trade union unity which will promote and not betray the interests of labor. In accord with this, the CIO convention outlined some of the basic principles for achieving the unity of the trade union movement: organization of the basic industries into strong industrial unions; support of a program of struggle for the most pressing economic and social demands of labor and for keeping America at peace; safeguarding the new militant CIO unions; preservation of the trade unions independent and free from all government and employer influence and control. Certainly this is a genuine program for trade union unity, one that will evoke enthusiasm in labor's ranks, one that should be popularized and fought for in the organizations of the CIO, the AFL, and the Railway Brotherhoods alike.

IN respect to the paramount issue of peace, the CIO convention re-affirmed its strong determination to help keep the U. S. A. out of the imperialist war. Despite the pressure from Washington, the CIO did not succumb to the war hysteria and "aid to Britain" propaganda; only the Hillmanites raised their voices in harmony with the Greens, Wolls and Citrines at New Orleans and tried to muster support for Roosevelt's interventionist policies. Moreover, the convention sharply raised the dangers arising from the establishment of the present war economy, the militarization of the country, and the efforts of Big Business to use the "defense" program to make war upon the standards and rights of labor and the working people; and it brought forward effective points of a program to counteract these reactionary developments.

However, it must be noted that the convention omitted concrete reference to and condemnation of the imperialist foreign policies and war moves of the government and Wall Street, including its predatory war alliance with Great Britain, its imperialist adventures in Latin America and the Far East, and its hostile attitude towards the U.S.S.R.—all of which have imperiled the peace and security of the American people, have already made the U. S. A. an active "non-belligerent" and threatens daily to plunge the country fully into the imperialist carnage as a military participant. Nor did the convention fully take into account the imperialist character and war objectives of the Administration's "national defense" program. It is to be hoped that these basic weaknesses in the program of the CIO, which jeopardize the fulfillment of the other decisions of the convention and which greatly limit the effectiveness of its intentions and efforts to help safeguard the peace of the country, will receive the earnest consideration of the membership and affiliates of the CIO.

While the CIO convention did not directly review the recent elections and draw all the necessary lessons therefrom, especially the need for a Farmer-Labor Party, it did give expression to the deep desire of its membership and of broad sections of the labor and progressive movement to break from the two party system of capitalism and to organize independent labor political action. This was evidenced in the potentially important resolution on independent political action which correctly stressed the need of strengthening the independent political power of labor and of developing a common front and program of action with other progressive groups. This decision which merits the widest discussion and consideration throughout the labor and progressive movement, will unquestionably give added impetus and encouragement to the building of a more powerful anti-war coalition of labor and the common people. It should also stimulate wider sections of the progressive labor movement to develop greater independent political activity and to help advance the growing movement for a Farmer-Labor Party on a local, state and national scale.

ENTIRELY out of harmony with the main decisions and the generally progressive character of the CIO convention was the resolution adopted which attempted to lump Communism together with its antithesis, Nazism and fascism, and the Workers' Socialist State, the USSR, together with the imperialist dictatorships of Hitler and Mussolini, with the rule of the German and Italian—just as with the British or American—monopoly capitalists.

On this question, the convention yielded important ground to the Hillmans and Greens, to the Dieses and Smiths, to the Fords and Girdlers, even though it rejected

the Hillman "Red purge" resolution. It gave an opening which the red-baiters and reactionaries of all shade will endeavor to exploit, distort and press to the maximum in order to try and sow confusion, division and strife within the CIO and the entire progressive movement.

Certainly the Hillman forces who, despite their defeats and setbacks at the convention, remained in the CIO only to continue to sabotage its progressive policies, will unquestionably attempt to utilize this resolution in order to carry forward their reactionary program from within the CIO. This danger, which especially jeopardizes the fulfillment of the economic program and organizational plans of the CIO, is most serious, particularly since the Hillman program will be more actively backed by the whole power of the Roosevelt Administration. This can already be seen, among other things, from the fact that Attorney General Jackson has joined with the other reactionary forces in attacking the Vultee strike by labelling it "Communist." If the CIO Vultee strikers who fought for higher wages, the right to strike, and collective bargaining, could be harassed and attacked by the Department of Justice and the employers under the pretext of combatting "Communism," then all those who loyally try to carry through the CIO convention program can be likewise attacked, unless the CIO leaders and organizations firmly and decisively reject and defeat red-baiting in all its forms.

It seems to us that whatever the motivating reasons governing the action of the progressive delegates on this resolution, whether from considerations of "political expediency" or because they underestimated the significance of the resolution, no one should minimize the importance of the issues involved.

It seems to us that no honest worker, no progressive unionist, no adherent of peace and freedom, can afford to remain silent in the face of such questions. The lessons of Homer Martin and the Auto Union, of the Dies and Smith Committees, of Germany and France, should be learned before it is too late.

THE coming period which will witness the mounting resistance of labor and all progressive forces to the attacks of the monopolists and the imperialist warmakers, abroad and at home, which will see a new growth of the people's peace movement to save the USA from the imminent horrors of imperialist war and military reaction—will provide a severe testing ground for the CIO, its leaders and organizations, as well as for the whole labor and peace movement. It will confront the CIO and the working class with new tasks and new opportunities, as well as with some new difficulties.

In this connection, the capitalist press is already speculating on the future course of the new CIO leadership. Insofar as the Hillman forces and their influence in the leadership are concerned, there are real dangers ahead. As for the new President, Phillip Murray, he has pledged himself to execute the decisions of the convention and to work in harmony with Lewis and all sections of the CIO. The progressive forces are playing a greater role in the leadership and it is reflected by the election of Joseph Curran to a Vice Presidency. The broad Executive Board comprising equal representation from all affiliated unions and the influence of John L. Lewis furnish further checks against the reactionary policies and maneuvers of Hillman and those influenced by him.

To the extent that the new officers of the CIO fulfill their pledges to loyally carry out the decisions of the convention; to the extent that the Hillman forces are further exposed and isolated and their reactionary policies of capitulation, class collaboration and support of the imperialist war are vigorously combatted; and to the extent that the membership and organizations of the CIO develop increased initiative and energetic mass activities in executing the chief decisions of the convention—to that extent will the CIO be able to overcome all difficulties and successfully check and defeat the offensive of the monopolists and the government.

In view of the main decisions of the CIO convention, the militant mood of the workers, the powerful anti-war sentiments of the masses, and the unshakable determination of the membership and organizations of the CIO to pursue a firm policy of struggle in furtherance of the progressive objectives of the CIO movement for economic security, civil liberty and peace—it is clear that the CIO is in a strong position to march forward in new struggles to new victories and to greatly influence the course of political events in the interests of labor and the common people.

## Point of Order

By ALAN MAX

### "PRODUCTION MUST GO ON!"

THE news spread like wild-fire through Washington. "The President has called a special conference." Newspapersmen dashed in cabs to the White House to await the results. Meanwhile, behind closed doors, the President sat impatiently tapping the desk-top with his fingers.

"Why aren't they here?" he asked his secretary, Steve Earlywirm, whose knee was still draped in the ribbon presented to it by the Imperial Wizard of the Klan.

There was a commotion at the door. "Here are the first ones now," said Steve Earlywirm as Attorney General Hobart H. Rackson and Rep. Lies of the Dies Committee each tried to get through the door ahead of the other.

When the two men had finally squeezed through the narrow doorway, Attorney General Rackson asked: "What's the emergency, chief?"

"Emergency enough," replied the President grimly. "A stoppage has been threatened at the Airy Aircraft plant. And I say PRODUCTION MUST GO ON!"

"Communists!" hissed Rep. Lies.

"Communists!" hissed Attorney General Rackson. Whereupon the two men asked the President to decide which was the better hisser—a decision which the President neatly side-stepped by proclaiming that Lies hissed the louder, while Rackson hissed a bit more convincingly.

At this point, J. Edgar Snopcer entered the room. "What's up, Mr. President?" he asked.

"A stoppage has been threatened at the Airy Aircraft plant—"

"Aliens," shouted J. Edgar Snopcer as he nervously began to bite his fingertips.

"And I say PRODUCTION MUST GO ON!" continued the President.

"Production must go on!" repeated Rackson, Lies and Snopcer as one man.

"Are we all here yet?" the President asked Steve Earlywirm.

"The main ones are still missing," replied Earlywirm. "But here they come now," he added as the Secretary of War, accompanied by A. C. Ayres, head of the Airy Aircraft Corporation, entered.

"Gentlemen, let us begin," said the President. "We all know why we are gathered here. A stoppage has been threatened at the Airy Aircraft plant and I say PRODUCTION MUST GO ON! Now, Mr. Ayres, give us the details. We want names, addresses and mothers' family name and spare no one. Name the workers and their union. Tell us Mr. Ayres, who is threatening to stop production?"

"Why, I am," replied Mr. A. C. Ayres.

"Er—you?" said the President.

"That's right," replied Mr. A. C. Ayres, jutting out his jaw. "I don't produce another plane until the profit rate is boosted another 4 per cent and you build a new \$20,000,000 plant for us free of charge. Those are our demands and you can take them or leave them."

"Take them or leave them?" said the President. "No need to be so huffy, Mr. Ayres. You can have your higher profit rate, since you insist. And that \$20,000,000 is practically in your pocket right now. After all, gentlemen, haven't I made it clear that my motto is—"

"PRODUCTION MUST GO ON!" shouted the roomful of men as Mr. A. C. Ayres passed around the cigars and then dashed off to tell his stock-holders.

Today's puzzle: Add one letter to a war-mongering newspaper and get an anti-war organization.

The answer will be found at the bottom of the column but first think a little.

In announcing Homer Martin's forthcoming marriage, the Chicago Times speaks of him as "a manufacturer's agent." Which prompts Carl Harris to remark that at last they have the right label on him.

For \$100,000 of the people's money, Rep. Dies has unearthed a copy of the Communist Manifesto from the nearest public library. Now he wants \$5,000,000 to bury the U. S. Constitution for all time.

Real subversive forces, like Father Coughlin, are dealt with by Dies in what should be called a "white-wash paper."

Answer to the puzzle: Add the letter "A" to the newspaper PM and you get its opposite, APM—American Peace Mobilization.

## Letters From Our Readers

### Green's Example of "Sacrifice"

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Would it not be appropriate to give a little space to commenting on Bill Green's great example of "sacrifice"? After lecturing the workers, with tears in his eyes, on the urgent necessity to support and defend the British Empire in its "heroic struggle for democracy," even to the extent of freely sacrificing wages and contributing additional hours of labor he "accepted" an increase in his own salary of \$8,000 a year.

Who does Bill Green think he is? A class brother of J. P. Morgan? One expects such cynical arrogance from the irresponsible rulers of America. But what about the workers in the American Federation of Labor? Are they going to accept Bill Green's estimate of himself that he is made out of different stuff from them? I doubt it. H. H.

### Would Treasure First Edition of Mike Gold's Book on Literary Renegades

Bronx, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Mike Gold is to be congratulated for his brilliant and sagely written series of articles on the literary renegades.

They should by all means appear in a permanent form so that they can reach every thoughtful American who is concerned about the preservation and defense of our democratic literary tradition.

I can't collect first editions of rare old bibles or works of the inhabitants of "eccentric little Chicago studios" but I would certainly treasure this first edition by Mike Gold. Congratulations once more!

H. D.

## Moscow Holds Jubilee For Jewish Author

MOSCOW.—Literary circles and the reading public joined in marking the jubilee of David Bergelson, well-known Jewish writer, on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of his literary activity. The author was feted at a number of meetings arranged by various organizations in many parts of the country. The meeting arranged by the Union of Soviet Writers was held in the hall of the Polytechnical Museum in Moscow.

The chairman of the evening, the writer Vsevolod Ivanov, congratulated Bergelson on behalf of the Union of Soviet Writers. Ivanov acclaimed him as a great artist, whose works reveal a profound love for the people and for art.

### Portrayed Hard Life of the People

Bergelson began his literary activity in 1909, when his first book, "At a Railroad Station," was published. This book was the first of a series of novels united by one main theme—the fate of the refined intellectual dreamer who feels "superfluous" in the environment of petty traders and philistines. "Deaf," another early work, belongs to the series that deals with the hard life of the people under capitalism.

In the first years of the Great Socialist Revolution Bergelson wrote several volumes of short stories (Stormy Days and others) on topics of the Civil War, showing the changes in the life and psychology of the people in the small towns. The novel "Severity" is a broad canvas of the class struggle during the Civil War. The underlying idea of this work is the ethics of the Revolution—grim but just and therefore profoundly humane. Bergelson does not attempt to evade sharp problems, and this enabled him to write one of the best Soviet books about the Civil War.

### 'On the Dnieper' Is Epic Work

Just before the celebration of his jubilee, Bergelson completed the second volume of his novel "On the Dnieper," the first of which met with wide acclaim.

The second volume of this epic work is an important landmark in the writer's development. While hitherto the heroes of his books were people who merely saw the negative sides of the capitalist world, in the new book he portrays those who destroyed the old and built the new world of Socialism. The action of the novel is laid on the eve of the first Revolution in 1905 when the proletariat was mastering its forces for attack. With great artistic insight Bergelson penetrates to the very core of the social contradictions at the time

and brings out the role of the different political parties in the class struggle. The part of the Jewish workers in the revolutionary movement is shown with great understanding and fidelity to the truth.

## 'Fledgling' Is Slated For Oblivion

FLEDGLING, by Eleanor Carroll Chilton and Philip Chilton, is a novel presented by Miss Chilton at the Hudson Guild, 143 W. 4th St., New York City. Unfortunately "Fledgling" is such inept dramatic material that the problem presented by its authors cannot be treated seriously. When a drama concerns itself with the contest between atheism and religion, the influence of parents upon children and the question of "mercy killings" it should be reviewed in book form, or, at least, in instalment form. This play, however, is so crammed with problems that it becomes unendurable to its audience and thus slithers off into oblivion, making totally unnecessary any serious examination of its ideas.

In passing, however, and for the record, let it be said that "Fledgling" poses the question of religion from the Catholic point of view. Eternal damnation begins on earth for the atheist father, suicide by drinking a glass of nicotine is the fate of the atheist daughter. Only the crippled mother—secretly a Catholic—goes to heaven, and she ascends in a wheel chair.

I do not wish to be frivolous about such a serious subject, but even despite the humility with which the playwrights have approached the subject the play would have been illuminating, if it had been written with greater simplicity, humanness and dramatic skill. As it stands, it is a frail reed in the garden of the church and will probably expire with tonight's paycheck crack of doom.

Among those present in the cast is Ralph Morgan, who is pretty awful as the pretty awful character of the father. It is Mr. Morgan's sad luck to return to Broadway after many years in Hollywood in this cracking show. Sylvia Wild, as the daughter, is competent. —R.W.

## Discuss Labor Conventions Over WABC at 7 Tonight

Members of the CIO and AFL discuss their recent conventions at the general possibilities of labor unity on "People's Platform" over WABC at 7 P.M. . . . Hans Wilhelm replaces Toscanini as conductor of NBC Symphony Orchestra in an All-Russian Concert over WJZ at 9:35 tonight.

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# They Tore Down Ghetto Walls

## Dean of Canterbury Hails the USSR Where Jewish People Enjoy Freedom

The following is a chapter from "The Soviet Power," by Rev. Dr. Hewlett Johnson, the Dean of Canterbury. We publish it by permission of Modern Age, Inc. Rev. Johnson shows the USSR as the only protector of the Jewish people. The facts revealed are in striking contrast with the recent action of the Hitler government in ordering ghettos set up for the Jewish population of Warsaw and the criminal conduct of the British Empire in refusing entry to Palestine of 1,700 refugees, thus making possible the recent tragedy in Haifa Bay when an explosion caused the sinking of the refugee ship with great loss of life.—Editor's Note.

By Rev. Dr. Hewlett Johnson  
(Dean of Canterbury)

Tsarist Russia dealt ruthlessly with all national minorities. The Jews were no exception. In my parish, years ago, there lived a Jewish lady, a mother of a distinguish-

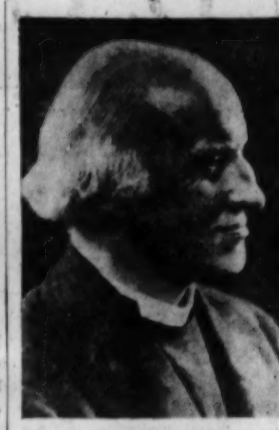
mistakable "Communist," he writes, "as consistent internationalists, cannot fail to be irreconcilable and sworn enemies of anti-Semitism."

Jews are the world's standing problem. The Soviet Union has found its best solution.

In the Soviet Union no racial or national discrimination is made against the Jews. Economic, social, and political equalities have been granted to Jews. Among the Soviets Jews are free to live where they choose, free to enter Universities, free to work in factories, free to work on the land.

In the Crimea and in Southern Ukraine my travelling companions for awhile were three young and cultivated Jews from New York City. One object of their journey was to study the state of the Jews, in Odessa especially, one-third of whose population is of Jewish nationality. The safety of these American Jews in a land where color bar and racial bar have gone forever was eloquent beyond any words they spoke.

Jewish workers in factories and on the land in the Ukraine, in the Crimea, in Moscow, in Georgia, in Baku, and in Siberia have proved their fitness and capacity. It is now clear that Jews can, given time and opportunity, master industrial and agricultural tasks as readily as



REV. HEWLETT JOHNSON

men and women of other nationalities.

The question of land settlements had been raised from the earliest days of the revolution. Jewish colonies had been formed in that most lovely place, the southern shore of the Crimean Peninsula, a spot famed for its health resorts; also in the Ukraine. The 2,000,000 Jews who had been drawn into agriculture had already effectively exploded the old lie that Jews were by nature unsuited to the land or the factory. They are only unsuited as a child might be described as unsuited to swim who had never been permitted to enter the water.

Given a fair field, the Jew can excel in most things, as other people excel. Here is an instance. In the Azov-Black Sea Territory a meeting took place between the collective farmers of the Novo-Zlatopolsk District of the Dniepropetrovsk Province, who were Jews, and the Cossacks of the Tsimyansk District. After the conference came a horse display and a competition given as an entertainment by 300 Cossacks, world famed for horsemanship. Berdskiy, a representative of the Jewish district, ventured to join in. Setting his horse at the hardest jumps, he took them with such consummate ease that the Cossacks, once the sworn enemies of the Jews

## After the Bombings

By SAM ROBERTS

The hot sting of tears have left their eyes;

Now the ducts are dry as dust,  
anger spreads

And gathers

AND WAITS

The burning houses, the broken streets, the dead ones  
in the ruins, the butchered child,

Burn images into the sights of the living;

The scalding scenes dry up the tears,

The anger spreads,

And gathers

AND WAITS

I tell you there are bombs being born in men's hearts,

There is explosion forming in narrowed veins,

And the blood charging from the violent heart,

Sends it fuses into the finger-ends clinching into fists.

## Stage Notes

"A Night in Bali," the new musical revue from the Dutch East Indies, which opened a four-week engagement at the Barbizon Plaza Theatre Friday evening, returns to New York after a year's coast to coast tour of the U.S.

The revue, which stars Devi Dja, came to New York last autumn from Rotterdam and scored an outstanding success with five performances at the Guild Theatre. Native dancers and a gamelan orchestra comprise the cast, augmented by comedians and singers who appeared with Devi Dja in the Orient.

There are two acts and 16 scenes, introducing songs, dances, ballet, comedy skits and folk sports from the land of the sarong. Music is by Gusti Adoh, Balinese opera composer and the exotic costumes and settings were designed by Karim, noted artist of Klungkung.

PHILADELPHIA.—On Friday and Saturday evenings the New Theatre presents its new musical revue, "Inside America."

The show offers a gay and tuneful commentary on some of the difficulties of life "inside America" today. With mock seriousness it calls us to witness a report on the state of the nation. A leap into the future reveals the last two white men left on the continent regretting the alien law as interpreted by the American Indian. The young ladies are asked whether they will take a chance on a draftee or find themselves an octogenarian. "How well do you read?" the New Theatre asks the audience, as they submit it to the test of recognizing propaganda wrapped up in a hair-raising mystery.

Certain rises at 9 P.M. The show will be repeated the following Friday and Saturday evenings of December 6 and 7.

## Music Notes

A program of American music, sponsored by the American Youth Theatre, will be presented tomorrow evening, at 8:30 P.M., at the Mallin Studios, 133 West 44th St., Manhattan.

Elie Siegmeister, composer, conductor and director of the American Ballad Singers; Emile Renan, baritone of the American Ballad Singers; and Lou Cooper, composer and pianist, will take part in the program. Admission 49 cents.

Talk on American Folk Music. Elie Siegmeister, Twelve American folk songs, Emile Renan; Two Preludes, George Gershwin; Jazzberries, Louis Gruenberg; Johnny Appleseed, Elie Siegmeister; Davy Crockett, Elie Siegmeister; Red Clay Blues, Lou Cooper; Charlie Rutledge, Charles Ives.

Lauritz Melchior, Danish tenor of the Metropolitan Opera Company who has returned to New York after an absence of more than seven months during which time he covered more than 35,000 miles in concert and vacation travel, will start his fifteenth year as the leading Wagnerian tenor of the Metropolitan when he sings his first operatic role of the 1940-41 season on December 4th. This performance will also mark Mr. Melchior's 147th appearance as Siegmund in the opera "Die Walkure."

Herbert Janssen, brilliant baritone of the Metropolitan Opera Co., who has been singing at the Teatro Colon in Buenos Aires since July, returns to New York from South America on Dec. 2 to rejoin the Metropolitan for his third season. While in Buenos Aires, the famous singer appeared in 26 roles, including Wotan in "Die Walkure," the title role of "Schwanda," and Beethoven's Mithras in "Mithras."

Mr. Janssen will repeat the important baritone roles in the Wagnerian repertoire which he sang last season with the Metropolitan.

## Classics to Arm Youth In Fight Against War

TASKS OF THE YOUTH, by Joseph Stalin, International Publishers, 18 cents.  
THE YOUNG GENERATION, by V. I. Lenin, International Publishers, 18 cents.

By Fred Fine

Multitudes of advisers are shouting their particular ideas at youth, "You're too soft, sacrifice!" "Join democracy's fight against Hitlerism!" "Uncle Sam's greatest opportunity for the world's greatest empire." "Join the army . . . or else!" Government agents of big business, "liberal"

panderers for imperialism, labor-leaders of Wall Street are once again busy cajoling, seducing and bulldozing youth into the gory slaughter-house of "total war."

The drive towards involving America into the war for greater imperialist spoils has revealed to additional millions that capitalism offers only harrowing poverty and hunger, ruthless destruction of the most elementary democratic rights, pitiless exploitation, appalling lists of dead and wounded. It becomes increasingly clear that capitalism would drag down whole peoples to ruin. Young people are looking for sign-posts, for a compass that will point the way out of war and fascism. The growing realization that in the land of Socialism almost 200 million people are living at peace with their neighbors, constructing an abundant and truly democratic way of life, has directed many youth to the writings of the greatest teachers of mankind.

### Illuminate Road For Young Communists

"Tasks of the Youth" by Joseph Stalin and "The Young Generation" by V. I. Lenin recently issued by International Publishers, will prove to be long-needed additions to the Marxist theoretical literature in the English language. They are of great value in further illuminating the road which the Young Communist League must continue to follow in winning greater masses of youth for the struggle against imperialism war and for socialism.

These two little volumes are a collection of articles and speeches covering a period of thirty-five years, almost the whole period of the history of the proletarian youth movement, the direct and decisive influence of these two great Marxist teachers on the formation and development of the young Communist International.

From the very inception of the proletarian youth movement the working class youth organizations had to wage stubborn battle for their political and organizational independence which the opportunistic and reformist leaders of the Social-Democratic Parties denied them. These misleaders frowned upon and discouraged the initiative of the newly forming working-class and student youth groups, feared their militancy, and attempted to convert them into academic and sterile discussion groups completely subservient to, and appendages of, the Socialist Parties of that day.

### Youth Will Decide the Issue

As far back as 1905 Lenin wrote in a letter: "This is war time. The youth will decide the issue of the whole struggle, the student youth and still unable to organize and stimulate them to action they will turn to the Mensheviks and Gapon. . . ."

The leaders of the Social-Democratic Party, especially those who corrupt and thwart the anti-imperialist and anti-war activities of the Youth Leagues in order to inveigle the toiling masses into the imperialist slaughter. The major sections of the proletarian youth movement gave repeated indications of their opposition to the war-makers and sought to mobilize the youth for internationalism and for struggle against militarism and imperialism war.

### The Fight Against Opportunism

Lenin personally encouraged and gave active leadership to the healthy elements in the Socialist Youth Leagues. In a review of the "Youth International" Lenin wrote: "The majority of the official Social-Democratic parties of Europe are now advocating the meanest and vilest form of social chauvinism and opportunism. . . . In the circumstances thus prevailing in Europe, on the League of Socialist Youth Organizations falls the tremendous, grateful, but difficult task of fighting for revolutionary internationalism and for true socialism against the prevailing opportunism, which has deserted to the side of the imperialist bourgeoisie." The work of the betrayers of so-

cialism was best characterized by the note posted to the door of the office of the International Youth Secretariat soon after the war broke out: "Closed on Account of War." But the best elements of the Socialist Youth League and anti-imperialist fighters among the youth, rallied to Lenin and the Bolsheviks against the corrupters of Marxism, and laid the basis for the subsequent formation of the Young Communist International in 1919.

### Warns Against Study Divorced From Life

The smothering hand of the social-democratic leaders was substituted by patient counsel that encouraged complete organizational independence and initiative. Lenin was chiefly instrumental in smashing the old reformist barriers to the growth of a mass revolutionary youth movement.

Sharply critical of the educational methods used in capitalist society—learning by rote and divorcing theory from practice—Lenin warns against formalistic and academic study, divorced from life.

"Without work, without struggle, a routine knowledge of Communism obtained from Communist pamphlets and books would be worthless." The young generation "can learn Communism only by linking up every step in its studies, training and education with the continuous struggle of the proletarians and toilers are waging against the old exploiting society."

These companion volumes should prove indispensable to workers and students.

### "The Young People Are Our Future"

In speaking of the draft and the students. In an article, "The Drafting of 183 Students Into the Army," Lenin writes: "They will now experience personally the full weight of tyranny and oppression; now that their human dignity will be placed entirely at the mercy of the drill sergeant, who is often capable of willfully humiliating the 'educated.' They will see with their own eyes what the position of the common people is, their hearts will be rent by the scenes of outrage and violence that they will be compelled to witness daily, and they will realize the injustices and petty tyrannies from which students suffer are a mere drop in the ocean of oppression from which the people suffer. Those who realize this will, when their term of military service is over, take a Hannibal vow to fight side by side with the vanguard class of the people for the emancipation of the people from despotism."

In contrast with the defeatism and dismal gloom that pervades current bourgeois writings dealing with youth, these two volumes glow with the inspiration of the future that belongs to the young generation, the future of socialist emancipation.

Stalin, the architect and master builder of socialism, together with the Bolshevik Party are rearing a new generation of socialist citizens—young people, who in the words of Maykovsky, find that "life is good and it is good to live." Stalin puts it: "The young people are our future, our hope."

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